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EXPECT BIG MEET

MANY HOG BREEDERS WILL GATHER NEXT WEEK

CITY MAY LOSE OFFICE

Will Vote to Move Headquarters of the Standard Poland-China Record Association to Kansas City.

The largest gathering of breeders of Poland-China hogs, ever held in Maryville is expected when the Standard Poland-China Record Association holds its annual meeting here next Tuesday and Wednesday. One proposition that will attract a larger representation this year, is the matter of voting on a resolution to establish a branch office of the association in Kansas City.

While the resolution to be submitted calls the proposed Kansas City office, a "branch," to the main headquarters here, it is taken to mean that, in time, this would be reversed and Maryville would have the "branch" office instead.

Meetings of other years have attracted only about thirty and fifty members of the association, while it is believed fully 150 will attend the annual session here next week. This is because of the proposition to change headquarters. Last year only thirty of the 1,131 members attended.

Banquet Tuesday Night.
The session this year will begin Tuesday afternoon. Little will be done then, but that night a banquet will be held in the Elks club. This will be largely attended it is believed. Several addresses will follow the banquet.

The real business session will be held on the second day in the circuit court room of the court house. At that time the election of a new president and twenty-one state vice-presidents will be held. Then seven members for the directorate will be chosen to succeed the retiring ones.

The proposition of moving the headquarters of the association was broached at last year's meeting for the first time. A resolution was prepared and submitted but after discussions "pro" and "con," the resolution was tabled. It was argued then that the members of the association were not given due notice of the pending movement and therefore such action would be against the rules of the association.

Few in East and South.
This year, Secretary George F. Woodworth sent notices of the pending proposition about a week ago in order to give each of the members a chance to be present if desired.

Of the 1,135 members of the association at present, about 300 live each in Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska and 120 in Iowa. The remainder of the membership is distributed through the central west and western states. The east and south is but slightly represented in the association of Poland-China hog breeders.

TO GIVE SERIES OF SERMONS

Pastor of Presbyterian Church to Supplement December Addresses.

The Rev. S. D. Harkness, pastor of the First Presbyterian church will begin a supplementary series of sermons on "The Approaches of God" following the series given during December.

The first of the new series will be given Sunday, January 10. There will be four sermons in all to be entitled "God's Heroic Approach Through the Apostles," "God's Liberating Approach Through the Reformer," "God's Conquering Approach Through the Missionary" and "God's Ultimate Approach Through the Lord of All."

Returns to Minneapolis.

Miss Bertha Ritz, who had been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ritz, will leave tomorrow afternoon for Minneapolis, Minn., where she is teaching in the city schools.

To Visit at Conception.

Miss Lucy Sturm and Miss Gertrude Kirch left this morning for Conception to spend the week end, the guests of Miss Louise and Agatha Kirch.

FILES 3 SUITS FOR \$5,158

Farmers Trust Company Seeks \$3,958 on One Promissory Note, \$500 on Other
Three "note" suits were filed with Circuit Clerk Eugene Rathbun today for trial in the January term which begins January 18. In one the Farmers Trust Company of this city sues Jefferson D. Ford for recovery on a "demand" promissory note for \$3,958.38 alleged to have been given by Ford to George L. Wilfley, president of the trust company, last September. Interest of 6 per cent also is sought.

Another suit for \$500 and interest at the rate of 8 per cent is brought by the Farmers Trust Company against Felix G. Johnson. The petition states that he gave a note for \$500 a year ago to S. H. Kemp, of the trust company.

The third note suit was brought by George F. Davis against J. M. Dinsmore and Grover Dinsmore. It was for \$700 and interest alleged to be due Davis on a promissory note alleged to have been given by the defendants in March 1913 to S. C. Goff. He later transferred the instrument to Davis, it is said.

TO RE-OPEN SKATING RINK

New Managers Improve Hall and Provide Music, Preparatory to Today's Opening.

The skating rink over the Knox garage will be re-opened tonight under the management of G. E. Smith and A. P. Edwards of Shenandoah, Ia., after shut-down of several days. The rink has been refloored and the hall otherwise repaired and decorations added by the new managers.

They have had five years experience in the business, it is said, and will provide music for the skaters. The rink will be open each "week" night and several afternoons each week, it is planned.

FORMER RESIDENTS ON VISIT

Carmichaels Arrive From Wyoming—Praise Conditions in New Home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carmichael, of Dwyer, Wyo., arrived in Maryville yesterday to spend a month visiting relatives and old friends in the city and county. The Carmichaels formerly lived on a farm north of Maryville and went to Dwyer about a year ago. They are delighted with their new home, have enjoyed the best of health and have been successful financially since going to Wyoming.

Dwyer is located sixteen miles from Laramie Peak and is a new town with railroad interests as the greatest business asset.

SHIP THOUSANDS OF BOOKS.

Prof. W. M. Oakerson's Resignation in Reading Circle, Causes Text Transfers.

As a result of the resignation, recently, of Prof. W. M. Oakerson, as secretary and manager of the Missouri State Teachers' Reading Circle, several thousand books prescribed by the Circle are being shipped from Prof. Oakerson's office today. The boxing and arranging of these books for shipment have occupied several days time. They are being sent to Jefferson City, where the new Secretary, W. P. Evans, will maintain headquarters. He is now state school superintendent, but retires this month.

The position as secretary of this circle is not a small one now, although it has grown comparatively from an infant institution since Prof. Oakerson took the management. He has distributed several thousand books—perhaps 4,000—since last September. They have gone to all sections of the state.

Read Democrat-Forum want ads.

Tonight

Is the last night to vote for your favorite at the

Empire

OTHERS ARE STILL ENTERING the

Christmas Saving Club

at the

Farmers Trust Co.

Its Not Too Late For You

SALUTE YEAR 1915

MARYVILLE OBSERVES PASSAGE OF 1914 IN USUAL WAYS

IS NOT A DAY OF REST

Business on Today, Nearly Same as Ordinarily—Youth and Age Celebrate Event Last Night.

Maryville folk, both young and old, observed the passage of the year 1914 and entrance of 1915 last night in the customary manner. Today, business in the city goes on just about the same as on any other "week" day, in fact merchants now are busier than ever, in the collection of bills and invoicing of stocks.

When the clock in the belfry of the court house struck the hour of twelve last night the bells in the several churches of the city began to swing. As the last stroke was sounded by the old county clock, these bells reached the climax. Combined with the music of the dances in progress in the Elks club and the hall of the W. O. W., Maryville listened to the exit of 1914 and entrance of 1915 amid a grand musical accord or perhaps discord.

Many Watch the Year Pass.

There were a host of "watch" parties too over town last night and many spent the passage of the year in coasting parties over the city. In fact it was in the early hours of morning before any of the New Year's festivities ended. Some of the coasting parties continued until 1 and 2 o'clock this morning. The dances closed about the same time.

The Eastern Star lodge here observed the passage of the year with the installation of new officers for the year. It was followed by an elaborate banquet to more than one hundred men and women.

Today, Maryville folk are hustling the same, with the exception that the postal employees are getting part of the day off and a few business establishments are closed.

But the bill collectors, book keepers and merchants in general, are at the busiest season just now. They are celebrating the first day of 1915 in a grand rush to transact as much business as possible.

The day also marks the passage of five county officials and the entrance of five new ones to succeed them, while two more changes will be made Monday. The employees of the city are working today.

SKIDMORE MASON TO INSTALL.

Change of Officers Tonight Will Be Followed by Banquet

The newly elected officers of the Masonic lodge at Skidmore will be installed there tonight. The installation ceremonies will be followed by a banquet to the Masonic members and their families.

The new officers are: Ira E. Poretr worshipful master; S. B. Garnett, senior warden; T. C. Gray, junior warden; W. M. Freeze, senior deacon; W. M. Moody, junior deacon; W. J. Hitchcock, treasurer; E. D. French, secretary; J. O. Miller, senior steward; G. F. Kellogg, junior steward; R. B. Foster, chaplain; E. T. Duval, marshal; J. S. Linville, tiller; J. E. Pierpoint, trustee.

END UNIVERSITY "BOOST."

Nodaway County Students Show School Activities at Burlington Junction Tonight.

The final of seven depictions within Nodaway county the last two weeks, of stereopticon slides showing student and school activities of the University of Missouri, will be given in the motion picture theatre at Burlington Junction tonight. The views are being shown by the Nodaway county club of the University. It is comprised of students who live in this county.

The views were shown at Harmony church last night by the Rev. C. R. Green, pastor. A fairly large crowd attended. There are seventy-three views in all. They cover virtually all activities at the state school, both in the class room and on the athletic fields.

Maryville, Skidmore, Pickering and Hopkins also saw the views, during the two weeks "boost" here. The meeting at Graham was not held, as scheduled.

Graham Plans Band Concert.

A program of twenty-one musical numbers has been arranged for a concert to be given by the Graham band in the Presbyterian church at Graham tomorrow night. There will be the usual band numbers, and a piano duet, euphonium solo, cornet solo, and a double cornet solo.

TO TRY FEW SUITS

JANUARY CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET IS EXTREMELY LIGHT

ARE 9 CRIMINAL CASES

Few State Charges Are Serious—Tomorrow Last Day for Filing Petitions for Next Session.

All civil suits filed for trial in the circuit court here, must be filed with Circuit Clerk Eugene Rathbun by tomorrow afternoon, in order to receive consideration at the January term which begins January 18. Only account and note suits may be filed now, with the exception of criminal charges which may be filed up to the time court convenes or later.

The time on filing of "thirty days notice" suits closed two weeks ago. These are all civil suits not brought to collect on accounts or notes. The "legal notice" suits also are barred from being filed now for this January term, in fact the time limit of them ended several weeks ago.

Is Extra Light Docket.

The docket for this term is expected to be the lightest of several terms. Only 142 cases had been docketed for the January term yesterday afternoon, according to Mr. Rathbun. Most of these were continued over from the September term or were on appeals from previous decisions, so that the filing of new cases is extremely small.

It is not believed the January term of court will occupy more than ten days or two weeks time, unless recesses are taken during the term.

The criminal docket also is unusually small this time. There are but nine criminal cases at present, although several more probably will be filed before court convenes. Former Prosecuting Attorney George P. Wright made an effort during the September term to clean the slate to begin on. There are no charges of a serious nature on the docket.

Few Cases of One Kind.

Of the entire 142 cases for trial, 18 are on paroles, 41 in equity, 74 for trial and 9 criminal. Of the forty-one suits, fourteen are for divorce, some of them being continued from the September term.

The equity suits are divided as follows: perfect title, 10; partition, 6; to revive judgment, 2; and one each of application for citizenship, to cancel deed, establish trust, assignment, re-tax cost, appeal from probate, ouster proceedings, appeal and specific performance.

In the trial docket there are 27 for tax bill collection, 7 for back taxes, 11 for damages, 4 attachment, on notes, 4 on contracts, 3 appeals from justice court, 3 on accounts, 6 on note collections, 4 for replevins, 2 appeals from police court and one each of appeals from probate court and interpleas.

In the criminal cases there is one charge each of illegal disposition of intoxicating liquors, gaming, carnal knowledge, common assault, mandate, manslaughter, on appeal, obstruction of public highway, appeal, maintaining an offensive slaughter house and grand larceny.

TO HEAR REPORTS OF YEAR

City Council Meets Tonight—Various Officials Prepare 1914 Charts Business.

The city council will meet in regular session tonight to transact the usual routine business and to hear the annual reports of the various departments and officials of the city. According to the officials, the reports will show the city in a good way financially and physically.

Since the first of the week some of the officials have been kept very unusually busy in preparing these business charts. It is especially true of the water works department and of Deputy City Collector Harold Seelman. The payment of city taxes has been so heavy the last few days that night work is being resorted to, to clear up the day's business for the forthcoming one. This rush of tax payments came because of the 1 per cent penalty that goes on today.

1,472 Grains on One Ear.

J. Arch McMaster, the west side farmer, left an ear of Eonville white corn at the office last Saturday that has 1,472 grains on it, says this week's Hopkins Journal. The average ear only has from 1,000 to 1,150 grains.

Has Record Cow.

John Baker, a farmer who lives near Clearmont, claims title to a record cow, in that it has given birth to two calves within 10 months and 13 days. Both appear to be unusually healthy and large boned.

NEW OFFICIALS ARE NOW IN

Duties Today—Old Ones Assist.

Beginning this morning, five new county officials elected last November, took the oath of office and are managing the affairs of the departments to which they were chosen. Some of the retiring officials however are still on the job in order to start their successors off on the right track.

Prosecuting Attorney William G. Sawyers, was engaged during the day in making a general cleaning of that office and putting everything in "ship shape." Down below, in the northeast corner of the county court Prof. W. M. Oakerson, retiring county school superintendent, Albert H. Cooper, his successor and assistants were making a final overhauling of that department and getting the business to running smoothly.

Dan R. Baker, new recorder of deeds, is "hard at it" today, but is being ably assisted by his deputy, Luke Colvin, and J. Arthur Wray and deputy, Miss Nellie Wray, who retire.

Two more changes will be made Monday morning when Fred J. Yeomans will succeed George W. Demott as county clerk and George H. Westfall, takes the place of Eugene Rathbun in the office of circuit clerk.

WEDDED TOO YOUNG, CHARGE

Iowa Father of Daughter, 15, Married Here, Causes Groom to be Held.

Because he is alleged to have stolen off with a 15-year-old girl whom he was wedded to here Tuesday, Earl F. Rhinehart of Burlington Junction was taken in charge at Burlington Junction today by the chief of police of Council Bluffs, Iowa. He will be taken back to the Iowa city tonight. The girl's father accompanied the police chief.

According to George Yates of Burlington Junction, deputy sheriff, who took Rhinehart in charge this morning on instructions from Council Bluffs authorities, Rhinehart is said to have been married to Mary Felker, 15 years old, by Probate Judge W. H. Conn here Tuesday. They secured their license in the office of the recorder of deeds here on the same day.

In getting the license, Rhinehart gave his name as Earl F. Rhinehart, address, Maryville and age 21. Mary Felker gave her address as Red Oak, Iowa, and age 18.

Rhinehart is a son of W. C. Rhinehart, a farmer living on the Joseph Kern farm, three miles west of Burlington Junction. Young Rhinehart is a nephew of Elmer Rhinehart of Maryville.

HOLD CAMPBELL RITES.

Funeral Services Held at Pixler Home This Afternoon.

The funeral services for Claude E. Campbell, who died Wednesday were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the residence of James Pixler, 420 West Cooper street. The services were conducted by the Rev. Robert L. Finch, pastor of the First Christian church. The interment was made in Miriam cemetery.

The pall bearers were M. A. Turner, Robert Jones, Ed. Marti, B. A. Frost, Frank Bolin and Roy Martin.

Among the out of town relatives attending the funeral were Robert Conner of Maitland, J. F. Pixler of Omaha, Neb., Mrs. D. E. Nelson of St. Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Trueblood of Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Ferguson and family of Burlington Junction, Lowell and Warren Campbell of Barnard.

Kansas Buys Cattle Here.

G. P. Dettler, of McPherson, Kan., has purchased several head of fine Shorthorn bulls from F. C. Barber & Sons of Skidmore. He was in Skidmore this week to prepare the newly purchased animals for shipment to his Kansas ranch. Mr. Dettler is an extensive breeder of thoroughbred cattle.

Elmo Lodges Install.

Kennedy lodge No. 329 of the Order of Masons and the Elmo Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, held their annual installation of officers at Elmo Monday night. A banquet followed. E. T. Bailey is the new worshipful master of Kennedy lodge. Mrs. Grace Ferguson is the new worthy matron of the Eastern Star Chapter.

Arrived From Texas.

Mrs. Ike T. Pryor, of Fort Stockton, Texas, arrived Thursday noon for a visit with her parents, Judge and Mrs. W. C. Ellison. Mrs. Pryor will spend a few weeks and will be joined by Mr. Pryor before her visit is concluded.

REDUCE TO SYSTEM

WATER BOARD STARTS YEAR WITH NEW METHOD.

WAY INADEQUATE

City Board, Last Night to Improve Department—Pro-gram of Water Attorneys.

Paris, Jan. 1.—The city board of public works, accounts and business methods in the municipality, works department, as "mouth" of 1914, has vanished. It will come an up-to-date system, whereby each of the 900 accounts against water service patrons can be found quickly and easily. Such is the result of a meeting held by the board of public works at the city hall last night.

It was rather a coincident that these city officials observed the passage of the old year and entrance of the new in compiling the modern business method. For they worked until after midnight. All members of the board were there with the exception of E. L. Townsend, president.

It was found, according to M. E. Ford, vice president of the board, that under the old system it was in some cases, impossible for the new officials in that municipal department to find traces of certain accounts. Chester Bennett, city clerk, will have charge of the books and accounts.

Need Water Plug Chart.

The absence of any chart or map to designate the location of the various water plugs, at the 900 residences and business establishments where the city serves water, also is causing no little confusion and loss of time and money to the city.

It is the present plans of the board to prepare and maintain such a chart as soon as possible. In this way, it is said, any water plug or piping may be found on quick notice by any employee of that department, be he in the employed a day or three years.

Superintendent J. H. Martin, also had the employees of the department encase and pack most of the water meters over the city recently, to safeguard them against frost and freezes. This precaution has already saved the city much expense, it is said. Few complaints of bursted pipes are being received, as a result of extreme cold of the last two weeks on account of this protection.

Pay at the City Hall.

Another proposed improvement in this department, is in compelling all patrons to make direct payments for water service to the city hall. This may be done in person, or by proxy or by mail. But the old method of sending a collector around the first of each month to collect is to be abandoned, under the new plan.

While this matter was not definitely decided at last night's meeting of the board, it is the intention, for the present at least, to adopt this system of payments.

SCHOOL DEBATES ON MILITARY

Dawsonville Will Decide Whether U. S. Should Prepare for War.

A debate of the subject, "Resolved, that it is expedient for the United States to maintain an army and navy," will be held at the Dawsonville school house, near Burlington Junction tonight. Four will discuss the topic in the affirmative and four negatively.

The affirmative debaters will be Fred Messabarger, Bert Bartlett, Roy Lyle and David Haine. Those to debate against a military equipment in this country are J. W. Whittington, Raymond Knapp, Wright Adkins and Oliver St. George.

The Dawsonville school has organized a debating club with Fred Messabarger, president, and Raymond Knapp, secretary. They are planning many social affairs for the winter during the winter season. The next event will be in the form of a mock trial to be held January 10.

Miss Mabel American of Clyde, is visiting at the home of her uncle, E. L. Ferritor and family.

THE WEATHER

Generally fair tonight and Saturday. Warmer.

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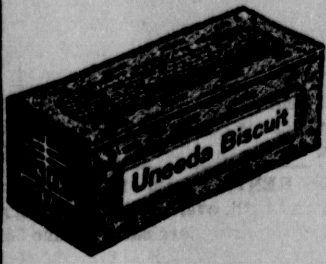
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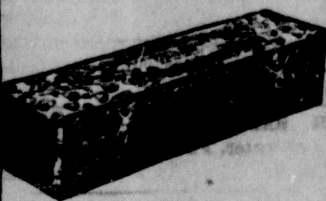
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please the taste and
nourish the body.
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5 cents in the moisture-
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with a delightful flavor
—appropriate for
luncheon, tea and
dinner. 10 cents.



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Makes daily trips from
Ginger-Snap Land to
waiting mouths every-
where. Say Zu Zu to
the grocer man, 5 cents.



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Always look for that name

Kill Four Jack Rabbits.

Jack rabbits seem to be more num-
erous in Nodaway county this winter
than for several years. One was kil-
led on the Al Crane farm recently; an-
other was killed in the eastern part of
the county last week and W. P. Wallace
of near Clearmont bagged two last
week. One of them was reported to
have weighed 11 1/4 pounds.—Burlington
Junction Post.

Return From Visit.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Byers returned
today from a week's visit with rela-
tives at Red Oak, Ia., and Omaha, Neb.

1915

The New Year

Do not start the New
Year without making a good
resolution. Make up your
mind to open a Savings Ac-
count, and to add to it sys-
tematically—each week or
month during the entire
year. The result will aston-
ish you—a snug Savings
Account to your credit.

OPPORTUNITY is bound
to knock at your door; will
you be prepared to admit
it? If you wish to succeed
in life you must SAVE.
One Dollar will start a Sav-
ings Account; 4 per cent
interest will keep it growing

**Farmers Trust
Company**

"HOME OF SAVINGS"
Maryville, Missouri

The SHOOTERS' NEW YEAR CELEBRATION



KING WITH HIS ROBES HELD UP BY PAGES.

Philadelphia has the reputation of
being one of the most quiet and digni-
fied cities in the United States, but
once a year it lapses into unrestrained
rivalry. The occasion is a curious
annual called the "New Year shoot-
ers' parade," which is described in
the Wide World Magazine by a resident
of the city.

FOR three hundred and sixty-four
days in the year Philadelphia
lives up to its national reputa-
tion of being the quietest city
in the United States, but for one glori-
ous day the Quaker town vies with
New Orleans, Rome and Paris as a
center of frivolity suddenly stricken
mad. It is a very methodical madness,
however, for the chief participants in
this great annual festival of Philadel-
phia—which is known as the New
Year "shooters' parade"—begin their
preparations for the following year as
soon as the sun sets on the scene of
gaiety on Jan. 1.

One of the objects to be gained is
the winning of large cash prizes offer-
ed by the civic authorities for the
most elaborate and novel costumes
worn in the procession and for the club
whose members make the most strik-
ing appearance on parade.

Each year the eccentricity of the
costumes exceeds that of the previous
year. Immense sums are spent on the
costumes of the kings, of whom there
are several in the procession, and num-
bers of girls are employed for months
previous to the date of the festival
cutting out and embroidering the ma-
terial intended for their majesties' fin-
ery on festival day. The larger the
robe and the finer the embroidery
the better the chance of winning a
prize. A hundred young Philadelphians
will form themselves into a club and
do little else in their spare time but
plan and prepare for the annual pa-
rade, paying subscriptions into a gen-
eral fund, from which the milliner's
bill is to be met, and looking forward
to winning a cash prize sufficient at
least to reimburse them for the initial
outlay.

As many as ninety pages are some-
times required to support some of the
gorgeous robes worn by the kings at
this curious festival. The parade takes
place on Broad street, the widest thor-
oughfare in the city, and the royal
robes are made large enough to stretch
from curb to curb when pulled out to
their full width by the attendant
pages. Their weight being enormous,
it would be impossible for even the
sturdy men selected as kings to sup-
port them but for the small army of
gorgeously clad pages who carry sec-
tions of the train. At times, when the
street narrows or the crowd is so
dense that it is impossible for the
pages to stretch the robe to its full
length, the weight necessarily falls to
a great extent on the shoulders of the
king, and his majesty frequently
faints from the terrible strain of sup-
porting his splendor without the aid
of the pages.

These pages are attired in costumes
that match the robe of the king, and as
a royal retinue passes along to the
music of a military band the spectacle
is a magnificent one. But the kings
are not the entire show by any means.
Following each royal personage comes
a motley procession of revelers, each
dressed according to his own peculiar
fancy, but all with some attempt at
expressing a meaning in the masquer-
ade. Public men who are not popular
are held up to ridicule by men who
impersonate them in the most gro-
tesque costumes conceivable, current
events are depicted by cars in which
Young America exercises his wit in a
manner that the man in the street can
understand, and jests that are oc-
casionally couched in language more
forceful than polite are carried aloft
on transparencies. Pretty "girls,"
whose large feet and mannish stride
betray the sterner sex, stalk along
beneath bewitching sunshades or
dance merrily with maskers in all man-
ner of foolish guises, and a regular
Noah's ark of animals, with trousered
legs protruding through the corners of
their anatomy, march solemnly along
with nodding heads and cavernous
smiles.

At the city hall the procession halts
while the mayor and his cabinet re-
view the parade. Then for hours it
plods along through avenues of cheer-
ing citizens to a point where the com-
mittee, to which is left the selecting of
the prize winners, critically scans the
costumes and the appearance of each
marching band. The decisions are
not made known until several days
after the gorgeous finery has been laid
away to do duty in some way or other
the succeeding year. When the names
of the prize winners are finally an-
nounced there is generally a howl of
disappointment from those passed over,
with much talk of unfairness and bias.
The prizes, however, do not interest
the average citizen much. He is only
concerned with the procession. Each

portion of the parade represents a par-
ticular ward of the city, and it is a
matter of pride with the spectator to
cheer more loudly for his own repre-
sentatives in the procession than the
next man cheers for his. When the
different clubs reach the end of the
line of march each is received by its
admirers and escorted to the ward
from which it came, where the pro-
cession is repeated on a small scale
and revelry reigns unrestrained for a
few happy hours, the police by general
consent allowing any liberty to be tak-
en with the established law so long as
good nature prevails and nothing radi-
cally wrong goes on.

Splendid as the scenes are during
the day, however, they are totally
eclipsed by the spectacles at night.
No matter how magnificently a satin
robe may be embroidered by daylight,
it suggests more of the tinsel finery of
the circus than real regal splendor. At
night when his majesty gathers for the
royal parade, attended by a host
of torch bearing sprites and preceded
by electric illuminations of every hue,
the scene is brilliantly attractive. The
day's parade, in fact, is merely a
"warming up" for the incidents of the
night. After dark on festival night
Philadelphia is aglow with red fire.
The streets are a mass of color, reflect-
ed from the royal robes, the rainbow
hued parasols of the maskers, the flags
and bunting of the marching clubs,
the draperies of the gods on the cars
and the diaphanous costumes of the
goddesses, who glide along attended
by imps and courtiers. The entire city
goes festival mad—for one evening
only. A stranger dropping into Phila-
delphia on festival night would imag-
ine himself in New Orleans on the
last day of the Mardi Gras celebra-
tions. The crowds are enormous, the
scene bewildering in its illuminated
splendor, and the constantly moving
panorama of color as the revelers skip
along to the music of the bands in the
smoke and glow and glare of hundreds
of varicolored lights is a veritable night-
mare of festivity unrestrained.

There is no particular meaning at-
tached to the festival. No other city
has one like it. It is simply the one
day and night in the year when Phila-
delphia, whose name is regarded by the
rest of the United States as a
synonym for sobriety and dignity,
throws care to the winds and revels in
an atmosphere of jollification which
rivals that of Paris or Nice in carnival
time. The day following the annual
festival and for 365 days thereafter
Philadelphia is just the "Quaker City,"
the "City of Brotherly Love" or any
other name suggestive of sober quiet-
ude that its critics like to call it.

OLD YEAR, ADIEU!

Old Father Time, with visage
grim,
Marks finis on another year.
His harvest he has gathered in;
The swath was wide both far
and near.

The strife of battle rages round
The ranks of fighters in the van,
But clashing arms and shouts
resound
Of victor and of conquered man.

The aged sire, with trembling
hands
And hoary locks of silvery white,
Perceives the passing of the sands,
The sunset's glow, the clouds of
night.

Mayhap there is a vacant chair
At home, but recently resigned,
A loved one gone above to wear
The crown of bliss by angels
twined.

The path to glory may not lead
With roses strewn about the
feet,
But hope and strive by word and
deed
Some soul to cheer—the New
Year greet!
—T. J. Dehey in Pittsburgh Dis-
patch.

AT MIDNIGHT NEW YEAR'S EVE.

The Old Year said: "In this well worn
pack
I've carried for many a day
Are more than a bushel of useless things
You must bury or throw away.
There are souls so scarred by the fires of
pain

"Is best by far to conceal them
In the deepest grave that the Past can
die."
But the New Year said, "I will heal
them."

The Old Year said: "You will also find
A number of broken hearts—
Not merely dented or cracked, alas,
But snapped in a dozen parts.
To the junk heap gathered by Father
Time

At once you had better send them,
For they only litter the world in vain."
But the New Year said, "I will mend
them."
—Minnie Irving in New York Times.

TO LESSEN FIRE LOSS.

Report of Commission Advises The
Teaching of Fire Prevention in
Public Schools.

The waste from fires in Missouri
every year amounts to twice the entire
cost of operating the state schools,
charitable and penal institutions. Ap-
proximately half these fires are due to
inexcusable negligence and careles-
ness.

That is the report made by the
Missouri Fire Insurance Commission,
which has been investigating this sub-
ject for several months. It found
that the regularly licensed companies
wrote fire risks amounting to \$825,887,
683, on which they collected premiums
totaling \$8,277,319 and paid out in los-
ses \$6,601,118. The loss to the state
in fires is estimated at 10 million dol-
lars.

Using those tremendous figures as
a text, the commission says that at
the bottom of the fire insurance prob-
lem in Missouri is the teaching of fire
prevention—that the people must be
awakened to the tremendous waste
and take steps to stop it.

The commission will ask the legis-
lature to pass a law making the teach-
ing of fire prevention compulsory in
all public schools. It believes that by
this means a sentiment will be created
which will reach the "grown-ups" at
home and at the same time awaken a
permanent interest in the subject of
fire loss. The commission also will
recommend the establishment of the
office of fire marshal. It will be the
duty of that office to enforce rigidly
fire prevention regulations and see
that municipalities more strictly en-
force the present requirements.

The commission says it found evi-
dence of an arson trust in the state—
that the loss from incendiary fires
growing out of overinsurance is larger
each year. It would have the state
superintendent of insurance and the
examine into this phase of the fire
examine into this phase of their fire
loss problem and prosecute where pos-
sible.

The recommendations of the com-
mission on the subject of rates already
have been announced. In brief, they
urge that the legislature compel each
company to use the "ratings" of some
actuarial company, and these ratings
should be open to the public. A pen-
alty would be provided for all the fire
companies combining and agreeing to
use only one actuarial bureau and
charge the same rate. That could be
done, without penalty, where no agree-
ment exists.

Loses Xmas Presents.

W. H. Houston of Burlington Junc-
tion is cursing his luck this week. Ac-
cording to the Burlington Junction
Post he returned Thursday evening
from Maryville with a package which
contained gifts to the family from his
daughter, Mrs. E. F. Scott. He put
the package in his sled and went to
the church to attend the Christmas
entertainment and when he returned
for his team a few minutes later the
package was gone.

CLARK DENIES CANDIDACY.

Republican Paper Published Report He
Would Oppose Wilson.

Champ Clark has dashed cold water
on the report printed in a New York
Republican newspaper that the Speak-
er proposes to oppose Woodrow Wilson
for renomination two years hence.
"Tommy rot," said Clark. "Some-
body evidently needed something to
fill space. I clearly stated my posi-
tion in my tolls speech last spring. I
then said if Woodrow Wilson made
good he could not escape the nomina-
tion and election; if he failed, the
nomination would not be worth hav-
ing."

The speaker recently in public
speeches has paid high tribute to the
President, and their meeting on the
house rostrum on the occasion of the
deliberation of the President's latest
message to congress was marked by
a cordiality so noticeable that it evoked
cheers on the Democratic side.

Friends of the speaker in congress
believe with him that a continuance
of the President's present great popu-
larity with the people of the country
pressages his renomination and elec-
tion unless he should flatly decline to
permit his name to be considered for
a second term.

In the event of the latter remote
contingency there is no doubt that a
movement to nominate Speaker Clark
would be started by his admirers, both
here and elsewhere. Just now, how-
ever, the speaker is not bothering him-
self about the subject. Like the Pres-
ident, he is concerned only with the
important matters of legislation now
confronting congress.

MEAT FOR CATHOLICS TODAY.

Abstinence Removed Because New
Year's is Day of Obligation.

Because New Year's comes on Friday
this year and because it is a holiday
of obligation in the Roman Catholic
church, those of that faith may eat
meat today. The vigil of some of the
great holy days of the church is a day
of abstinence. Among these is Christ-
mas, hence the Catholics were obliged
to fast last Thursday but were permit-
ted meat on Friday. New Year's is not
one of the big holy days and therefore
has no vigil of abstinence.

Here From Hopkins.

Will G. Edwards of Hopkins, came
to Maryville last night to meet his
wife and daughter, who are visiting
at the home of Mrs. Edwards' parents,
Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wallace, of East
First street.

"Casey" Jones is Killed.

"Casey" Jones, the motor car used
by the bridge men of the Wabash rail-
road was demolished as the result of
a collision with a freight train near
Elmo this week. None of the crew was
injured.

Osborn Visitors Return.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Maier returned
yesterday to their home at Osborn after
a visit in Maryville with Mr. and Mrs.
L. L. Maier.

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING BEST.

Publicity Expert Says Retail Dealers
Should Use More Space Daily.

"The daily newspaper should be the
foundation for all retail advertising
—it is by all odds the best medium
in any city," declared T. LeRoy North,
advertising expert and author of the
Cincinnati Advertiser's Club plan for
advertising Cincinnati, in addressing
a group of advertising students at the
Young Men's Christian Association
"I do not say that all retail houses
should use newspaper advertising ex-
clusively," Mr. North added.

"I do say, however, that every re-
tailer should plan his advertising
campaign first by an appropriation of
sufficient size to give him adequate
space in the newspapers. Then, if he
still has money left for additional pub-
licity he can take up the question of
other forms."

"The newspaper plan" is the wireless
thought. By means of the paper the re-
tailer gets into hundreds of
thousands of homes. Paris, Jan.
message formidable, send out for that
day. News, apt by a ve character,
same as the mouth. Their character,
from the ad- vers standpoint, is
determined by people among whom
they circulate.—Cincinnati Times-Star

Took Poison by Mistake.

Byron Griffith, who is now on a farm
near Wilcox, got up Sunday night to
take some cough medicine, and not
stopping to light a lamp, got hold of
a bottle of horse liniment containing
considerable poison, and while he did
not take enough to kill a person, it
was sufficient to make him very ill.—
Hopkins Journal.

Return to Barnard.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Broadbent and
daughter, Goldie, of Barnard, who have
been visiting Mrs. Nellie Airy and
family of West Fourth street returned
to their home yesterday.

Winter
Clothing at
Sacrifice Prices

I want to clean up my
stock of all Heavy Winter
Clothing and Furnishing
Goods and in order to do
this have made some very
low prices—so low that you
cannot afford to pass this
chance. Come in and look
over the line—You will be
sure to find something you
want during this sale.

Clark Weaver
W. Third St.

Will You Be On The
Winning Side?

Advertising is the advance
agent of prosperity. The
keen thinking merchant who
looks before the public now,
will be the one who will have
the trade of the public to-
morrow. Restrict your ad-
vertising now, and you will
show your lack of confidence
to compete with the future
This active American public
deals with the business men
of today, the men whom they
feel will be able to supply
them when the need arises.

Inspire your customers
with your confidence. Every
advertisement you run in

your daily newspaper, will
show the public that you are
going to be one of the win-
ners.

Show your ability to grasp
the prosperity that the war-
ring nations are gradually
but surely pushing upon us.
Show that you know your
advertising is worth more to
you now than ever before.

You want to be one of the
winning merchants. You
will not haul down your ad-
vertising flag. Your adver-
tising has been worth much
to you in the past. Its value
to you today is inestimable.



New Year's Greeting A Bountiful 1915

THIS BANK appreciates the business entrusted to it during the year 1914 by its depositors. The officers and Directors are desirous of showing that the confidence in the Bank on the part of the public is appreciated. The accommodating Service is one of the ways in which this appreciation will be shown.

NODAWAY VALLEY BANK
Maryville, Missouri

KILLS MUCH STOCK

FORAGE POISONING CAUSES MANY HORSES TO DIE.

COUNTY LOSS \$10,000

Estimate Nodaway Has Lost 50 Head from "Corn Stalk" Disease—The Cause and Cure.

Forage poisoning, generally known as the "corn stalk" disease, has cost Nodaway county farmers the last two months at least fifty head of horses, averaging in value \$200 each, according to a veterinarian of this city, after a careful tour of the county. That more loss will result before the next month ends is his prediction unless some preventative steps are taken quickly by the farmers.

Not only is the "corn stalk" disease confined to this county, nor even this section of the state. Every county in Missouri and in other central west states is having its quota of horses die from forage poisoning, despite efforts of veterinary experts to prevent it.

In order to better protect the farmers against such losses, Dr. D. F. Luckey, state veterinarian, has issued a bulletin relative to the "disease," although it could hardly be termed that.

Most Losses in North Part.

The greater majority of losses in this county were in the north part, in the vicinity of Elmo, Clearmont and Hopkins. Many farmers near Maryville likewise have lost one or more horses from the "disease," and E. H. Balmann of the Union Bus company, right here in Maryville, lost a valuable animal recently from forage poisoning.

It is not the first time such losses among horses has resulted in Nodaway county, however. Several other falls the farmers have had losses from the "corn stalk disease," but never to such an alarming extent as this year, it is said.

Blame It on Weather.

The heavy rains in September and October, following a dry summer, which caused much corn to mould, is believed by some local veterinarians to cause the "disease." Some reports of loss of mules, cattle and sheep also are made through the state. It is generally confined alone to horses, however.

To our many patrons and friends and the flower loving public in general, we wish you

a very happy and prosperous New Year

The Engelmann Greenhouses

1001 S. MAIN ST. PHONE 17

SENATE ADOPTS LITERACY TEST

Refuses to Strike Moulded Clause From Immigration Bill.

VOTE FORTY-SEVEN TO TWELVE

Anti-Mormon Amendment to Measure Is Adopted Overwhelmingly, Hughes of New Jersey and Utah Members Only Ones Voting Against It.

Washington, Jan. 1.—By a vote of 47 to 12, the senate refused to strike from the immigration bill the literacy test for admission of aliens.

Senator Reed then proposed an amendment to exclude "all aliens not of the Caucasian race."

Senator Reed's amendment immediately aroused considerable opposition. Chairman Smith of the immigration committee said he did not think it should be passed, as it aimed at exclusion, while the spirit of the bill was only restrictive. Senator Lodge declared that the amendment would exclude some persons not of the Caucasian race who make good citizens.

The latter was defeated by a vote of 43 to 13.

Heated discussion was aroused when Senator Reed offered a further amendment to substitute in the exclusion provision for the words "those who admit their belief in the practices of polygamy" the words "those who believe in, advocate or practice polygamy."

Senator Smoot of Utah recounted to the senate the original action of the Mormon church in forbidding plural marriage since 1890, recalling also the declaration of President Joseph F. Smith in 1894 and denounced the amendment as an ill-timed reflection upon the Mormon people.

The amendment to the polygamy section was adopted by overwhelming vote. Senators Smoot and Sutherland of Utah and Hughes of New Jersey voted against it. Senator Hughes said he did not believe any religious belief should be made a test for admission to this country.

BRADSTREET'S TRADE REVIEW

Movements in More Important Channels Are Slow.

New York, Jan. 1.—Bradstreet's says: Inventory taking is the rule and therefore movements in the more important channels are slow, but the most significant fact is that practically all lines and sections, save the south, look for improvement in 1915. A good deal, perhaps at first, but expanding as the season for spring buying progresses. At the moment, however, distribution is mainly from retail purveyors, by whom sacrifice sales are being pushed, with negatively favorable results at most centers, the range being from poor in the south to active in the west, where the full force of remunerative prices for wheat are exhibited. It is noteworthy that reports from some points indicate that Christmas trade was better than anticipated, but in general such returns, especially from industrial centers, disclose that buying was limited in consonance with a lack of steady employment.

Wheat exports for the week were 7,400,382 bushels.

Failures for the week were 511.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Closing Quotations on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Closing prices: Wheat—Dec., \$1.27; May, \$1.25½. Corn—Dec., 67½¢; May, 73½¢. Oats—Dec., 49½¢; May, 53½¢. Pork—Jan., \$18.67½; May, \$19.27½. Lard—Jan., \$10.59; May, \$10.72½. Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, \$1.26¼@1.27½; No. 2 yellow corn, 68½¢; No. 3 white oats, 49½¢@49¾¢; standard, 50¼¢@50½¢.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 5,000; firm; native steers, \$5.50@9.85; westerns, \$5@7.80; cows and heifers, \$3@8.10; calves, \$7.50@10. Hogs—Receipts, 33,000; 5@10¢ higher; bulk, \$7.10@7.25; light, \$6.80@7.25; mixed, \$6.90@7.30; heavy, \$6.85@7.30; rough, \$6.90@7.05; pigs, \$5.50@7.30. Sheep—Receipts, 10,000; strong; sheep, \$5.90@6.80; yearlings, \$6.90@7.90; lambs, \$7@8.85.

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, Jan. 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,550; steady; beef steers, \$5.75@9; cows and heifers, \$4.25@7.25; stockers and feeders, \$5.75@8.10; bulls, \$5@6.80; calves, \$7@9. Hogs—Receipts, 10,840; 5@10¢ higher; bulk of sales, \$7.10@7.20; top, \$7.25. Sheep—Receipts, 5,165; steady to strong; lambs, \$7.50@8.60; wethers, \$4.40@5.50; ewes, \$4.25@5.70.

Skidmore Pastor Leaves.

The Rev. Mr. Creel of Plattsburg, delivered his final sermon at the Christian church at Skidmore last Sunday. He has had charge of that pastorate for several months.

Visiting at Elmo.

Mrs. L. C. Severs and son, of Fayette Mo., who have been visiting Mrs. Severs' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gray, of West Fourth street, left yesterday for Elmo to visit friends for the week end.



KIN OF YANKEE SLAIN BY CANUCKS ANGRY

Relatives of Slaughtered Hunter Call Verdict Ridiculous.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Relatives of Walter Smith, who was killed by Canadian militia at Fort Erie, are not satisfied with the coroner's jury verdict of "accidental shooting," and through their attorney have taken steps to bring about a more thorough investigation through the department of state. Further evidence, it was announced, will be taken before Vice Consul Curtiss at Fort Erie within a day or two and this report will be filed with state department officials at Washington.

The following telegram was sent to Congressman Charles B. Smith by the attorneys for the Smith family:

"Testimony of witnesses, Smith-Dorsch matter, shows that civil officer neither called, signalled or attempted to arrest before calling upon soldiers; that repeated volleys were fired after men had thrown up their hands and told the officer they were coming to shore; that soldiers fired the shots that killed after civil officer had told them to cease, and in no event to hit; that on account of repeated volleys from soldiers in the face of the offer to surrender, men endeavored to get out of range, but were immediately shot, one fatally and the other possibly so; soldiers admit firing without taking aim or sighting gun.

"Verdict of coroner's jury of accidental shooting ridiculous. Have no hesitancy in crowding case. It was reckless, inhuman and outright manslaughter. We will take witnesses before American consul in a day or two and forward further evidence to you."

Although the verdict released the three militiamen as civilians, they are still detained, awaiting the official release from the military authorities.

INDORSES U. S. PROTEST

Thirty-one Cargoes of Copper Seized by British Ships.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Thirty-one ships, bearing 19,350 tons of American copper, worth \$5,500,000, destined to neutral nations, have been detained and their cargoes seized as contraband since the European war began, Senator Walsh of Montana told the senate in a speech reviewing interruptions to American commerce, and highly indorsing the American government's recent note to Great Britain.

"What is needed now," continued Senator Walsh, "is the release of every detained shipment against which a prima facie case of guilt cannot be made out, carrying with it an assurance to the trade that as long as it is honest it is safe."

Monterey Short of Food.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 1.—Food for less than ten days remains at Monterey, Mex., and adjacent territory, where the situation in some respects is as bad as Europe, according to unofficial reports from American Consul General Hanna at Monterey. Relief is furnished twice weekly to the poor, who include once prosperous families which revolutions have made destitute.

Thirty Warships Are Firing on Pola.

Copenhagen, Jan. 1.—A private dispatch received here from Berlin says that over thirty French and British warships are at present engaged in bombarding Pola, the Austrian naval base on the Adriatic, and also the seaport of Rouigno, fifteen miles away.

COL. ALEXANDER AND MISS COPE INDICTED

Chicago, Jan. 1.—An indictment charging Colonel Charles Alexander, wealthy steel magnate of Providence, R. I., with violation of the Mann white slave act, was returned in the federal court, together with an indictment charging bribery against Miss Jessie Elizabeth Cope of Los Angeles, the woman he is alleged to have transported.

The indictment against Alexander contains ten counts, and that against Miss Cope five. Alexander is charged with having transported Miss Cope from Los Angeles to Chicago on Jan. 23, 1913. The document also mentions a trip from Chicago to New Orleans, on which it is alleged, Miss Cope was Alexander's companion.

It is specifically charged in the case of the woman that she offered Hinto G. Clabaugh, local superintendent of the department of justice, \$25,000 if he would aid her in extorting \$50,000 from Alexander.

Arrests in both cases were made three weeks ago. Miss Cope is in custody here and Alexander, who is at liberty under bond, has signified his willingness to come here for trial whenever desired.

BRITISH HOLD U. S. NOTE NOT SPECIFIC

Find Demand Less Detailed Than Had Been Expected.

NOT A BILL OF PARTICULARS.

American Protest Continues to Be Foremost Topic in English Papers. Reply to Be Made in Few Days. Discourtesy Charge Unfounded.

WAR BULLETINS

Sanguinary fighting continues in that broad reach of territory between the Vistula and Pilica rivers, in Poland, where the Germans are endeavoring to push through toward their objective, the Polish capital, and everywhere are being met with stern resistance by the Muscovite forces. Germany merely says of the contest here that its offensive has made progress in the district of the Rawka river, but that in the other regions the situation is unchanged.

Petrograd has made no report. Farther south in Galicia and up in the Carpathian passes the Russians seemingly hold their reported advantage over the Austrians.

In the west, in Belgium and France, the fighting is mainly between the artillery arms of the belligerent forces, with here and there, however, infantry attacks and counter attacks. No important victories are claimed by either side, although at various points each claims slight gains of ground or repulses of attacks.

London, Jan. 1.—The British foreign office, in agreement with the American government, issued the text of the protest of the United States concerning delays to American commerce, due to search of vessels by the British fleet. It was issued through the official press bureau.

The public has regarded the note as a diplomatic document of probably greater importance than any incidental to war. The first comment on it in the newspaper offices, however, was that the note was less specific in stating the American complaints than had been expected.

Still Foremost Topic.

The American protest continues to be the foremost topic in the English papers. Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, and Ambassador Page had a conference concerning it. It is understood that Great Britain will make reply to the note in a few days, probably next week.

Speaking for the foreign office, the press bureau denied the suggestion published in the London Times that its previous statement on the time the American note was received by the foreign office was issued with the intention of charging the American government with discourtesy in giving the contents of the note to the newspapers before it had been received by the foreign office. The statement of the bureau says this suggestion is "totally unfounded."

FRANCIS JOSEPH TO TROOPS

Emperor Issues New Year's Rescript to Army and Navy.

Vienna, Jan. 1.—Emperor Francis Joseph has issued a New Year's rescript addressed to the Austro-Hungarian army and navy, which reads as follows: "During five months of the parting year the monarchy has faced numerous and powerful enemies in a war which has been forced upon us and our faithful allies.

"The proven steadfastness of the fighting qualities and the heroism, bravery of my army and navy gives me confidence that in the new year of the war Austro-Hungarian warriors on land and sea will emerge with honor from the very severe trials which, for the welfare of the fatherland, the war may impose upon their military qualities.

"In sorrowful gratitude I remember those who, on the blood-drenched battlefield, have sacrificed their lives for our just cause. With the sincerest prayer that with God's help the new year may see them led to victory, I salute all my brave men."

Teutons Take Many Prisoners.

Amsterdam, Jan. 1.—What is described as an unofficial telegram, but which nevertheless was issued by the German army headquarters, has been received here. It reads: "Our troops in Poland are pursuing the enemy. After the battles of Lodz and Lovicz we took more than 67,000 prisoners and many cannon and machine guns. The entire booty since the beginning of our offensive in Poland in November totals 136,600 prisoners, more than 100 cannon and over 300 machine guns."

Switzerland Increases War Tax.

Berne, Jan. 1.—The heavy military expense thrust upon Switzerland by it being obliged to support an armed neutrality was almost the sole subject considered by the Swiss parliament. At the conclusion of the sitting a recess was taken until March next. The Swiss treasury, it was announced, must provide for a deficit of 23,000,000 francs. Taxes were doubled upon alcohol and were increased upon checks, postal orders, telephones, state railway tickets and freight shipments.

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For Sale.

WOOD FOR SALE—All dry ash, hickory and oak, \$3.00 and \$4.00 for full guaranteed cord. Other wood \$1.00 load. Will deliver. Native lumber for sale. Saunders Bros., Hanamo phone 3698. 14-11

FOR SALE—Car of Swift's digester tankage. At Burlington tracks. Prices right. See us before you buy. Childress & Co. 3-11

FOR SALE—45 acres stock field. Plenty of water. Phone Farmers 23012. Ed Walker. 30-1

FOR SALE—White Orpington cockerels, English strain. W. A. Rhodes, phone Ravenwood. 12-10

FOR SALE—60 acres well improved, 2½ miles S. E. Arkoe. For price and terms see owner on premises. M. A. LOGAN, Barnard R. 3. 12-1mo.

FOR SALE—Furniture; bedstead, chairs, etc. 222 S. Fillmore. Phone 369. 30-1

Miscellaneous.

FOUND—Pair gold rimmed nose glasses. Owner may have same by paying for this ad. 30-1.

WANTED—Clean cotton rage, at Maco Print Shop. 31-2

SANITARY ENGINEERING requires experienced mechanics and good materials. Our appliances and "knowing how" insures satisfaction. Standard Plumbing Co.

WANTED—Woman for cooking and general housework at once. Call Hanamo 6387, or address 418 West Second street.

Help Wanted.

WANTED—Men to learn the barber trade. Positively the best trade of the kind. Can prepare you in short term. Wages while learning. Open to everyone. Apply by mail, Moler Barber College, Kansas City, Mo. 24-1

They will solve those want problems of yours.

You can find a room, rent a room, get help or find a position, sell those things which you do not need—in fact these handy little want ads of the Democrat-Forum have an unlimited value, because of their convenience and desirable results.

More and more of the people of this community are using Democrat-Forum want ads because they find that through no other means can they obtain such satisfactory results.

The Democrat-Forum classified want ad department is a co-operative sale for the entire county.

Elmo Christians Meet.

The annual meeting of the Christian church at Elmo is being held today. Officers of the congregation will be elected and plans made for the new church year. Officers and teachers of the Sunday School also will be selected today.

The annual reports of church and Bible classes will be submitted. A dinner was served by the women of the church at noon today.

Held Church Social.

An oyster supper was held at the Mount Ayr church last night. Several from Maryville attended.

CHARLES E. STILWELL, ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW.

Office over Maryville National bank, Maryville, Mo.

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EXPECT BIG MEET

MANY HOG BREEDERS WILL GATHER NEXT WEEK

CITY MAY LOSE OFFICE

Will Vote to Move Headquarters of the Standard Poland-China Record Association to Kansas City.

The largest gathering of breeders of Poland-China hogs, ever held in Maryville is expected when the Standard Poland-China Record Association holds its annual meeting here next Tuesday and Wednesday. One proposition that will attract a larger representation this year, is the matter of voting on a resolution to establish a branch office of the association in Kansas City.

While the resolution to be submitted calls the proposed Kansas City office, a "branch" to the main headquarters here, it is taken to mean that, in time, this would be reversed and Maryville would have the "branch" office instead.

Meetings of other years have attracted only about thirty and fifty members of the association, while it is believed fully 150 will attend the annual session here next week. This is because of the proposition to change headquarters. Last year only thirty of the 1,131 members attended.

Banquet Tuesday Night.

The session this year will begin Tuesday afternoon. Little will be done then, but that night a banquet will be held in the Elks club. This will be largely attended it is believed. Several addresses will follow the banquet.

The real business session will be held on the second day in the circuit court room of the court house. At that time the election of a new president and twenty-one state vice-presidents will be held. Then seven members for the directorate will be chosen to succeed the retiring ones.

The proposition of moving the headquarters of the association was broached at last year's meeting for the first time. A resolution was prepared and submitted but after discussions "pro" and "con," the resolution was tabled. It was argued then that the members of the association were not given due notice of the pending movement and therefore such action would be against the rules of the association.

Few in East and South.

This year, Secretary George F. Woodworth sent notices of the pending proposition about a week ago in order to give each of the members a chance to be present if desired.

Of the 1,135 members of the association at present, about 300 live each in Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska and 120 in Iowa. The remainder of the membership is distributed through the central west and western states. The east and south is but slightly represented in the association of Poland-China hog breeders.

TO GIVE SERIES OF SERMONS

Pastor of Presbyterian Church to Supplement December Addresses.

The Rev. S. D. Harkness, pastor of the First Presbyterian church will begin a supplementary series of sermons on "The Approaches of God" following the series given during December.

The first of the new series will be given Sunday, January 10. There will be four sermons in all to be entitled "God's Heroic Approach Through the Apostles;" "God's Liberating Approach Through the Reformer;" "God's Conquering Approach Through the Missionary;" and "God's Ultimate Approach Through the Lord of All."

Returns to Minneapolis.

Miss Bertha Ritze, who had been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ritze, will leave tomorrow afternoon for Minneapolis, Minn., where she is teaching in the city schools.

To Visit at Conception.

Miss Lucy Sturm and Miss Gertrude Kirch left this morning for Conception to spend the week end, the guests of Misses Louise and Agatha Kirch.

FILES 3 SUITS FOR \$5,158

Farmers Trust Company Seeks \$3,958 on One Promissory Note, \$500 on Other

Three "note" suits were filed with Circuit Clerk Eugene Rathbun today for trial in the January term which begins January 18. In one the Farmers Trust Company of this city sues Jefferson D. Ford for recovery on a "demand" promissory note for \$3,958.38 alleged to have been given by Ford to George L. Wilfley, president of the trust company, last September. Interest of 6 per cent also is sought.

Another suit for \$500 and interest at the rate of 8 per cent is brought by the Farmers Trust Company against Felix G. Johnson. The petition states that he gave a note for \$500 a year ago to S. H. Kemp, of the trust company.

The third note suit was brought by George F. Davis against J. M. Dinsmore and Grover Dinsmore. It was for \$700 and interest alleged to be due Davis on a promissory note alleged to have been given by the defendants in March 1913 to S. C. Goff. He later transferred the instrument to Davis. It is said.

TO RE-OPEN SKATING RINK

New Managers Improve Hall and Provide Music, Preparatory to Today's Opening.

The skating rink over the Knox garage will be re-opened tonight under the management of G. E. Smith and A. P. Edwards of Shenandoah, Ia., after shut-down of several days. The rink has been refloored and the hall otherwise repaired and decorations added by the new managers.

They have had five years experience in the business, it is said, and will provide music for the skaters. The rink will be open each "week" night and several afternoons each week, it is planned.

FORMER RESIDENTS ON VISIT

Carmichaels Arrive From Wyoming—Praise Conditions in New Home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carmichael, of Dwyer, Wyo., arrived in Maryville yesterday to spend a month visiting relatives and old friends in the city and county. The Carmichaels formerly lived on a farm north of Maryville and went to Dwyer about a year ago. They are delighted with their new home, have enjoyed the best of health and have been successful financially since going to Wyoming.

Dwyer is located sixteen miles from Laramie Peak and is a new town with railroad interests as the greatest business asset.

SHIP THOUSANDS OF BOOKS.

Prof. W. M. Oakerson's Resignation in Reading Circle, Causes Text Transfers.

As a result of the resignation, recently, of Prof. W. M. Oakerson, as secretary and manager of the Missouri State Teachers' Reading Circle, several thousand books prescribed by the Circle are being shipped from Prof. Oakerson's office today. The boxing and arranging of these books for shipment have occupied several days time. They are being sent to Jefferson City, where the new Secretary, W. P. Evans, will maintain headquarters. He is now state school superintendent, but retires this month.

The position as secretary of this circle is not a small one now, although it has grown comparatively from an infant institution since Prof. Oakerson took the management. He has distributed several thousand books—perhaps 4,000—since last September. They have gone to all sections of the state.

Read Democrat-Forum want ads.

SALUTE YEAR 1915

MARYVILLE OBSERVES PASSAGE OF 1914 IN USUAL WAYS

IS NOT A DAY OF REST

Business on Today, Nearly Same as Ordinarily—Youth and Age Celebrate Event Last Night.

Maryville folk, both young and old, observed the passage of the year 1914 and entrance of 1915 last night in the customary manner. Today, business in the city goes on just about the same as on any other "week" day, in fact merchants now are busier than ever, in the collection of bills and invoicing of stocks.

When the clock in the belfry of the court house struck the hour of twelve last night the bells in the several churches of the city began to swing. As the last stroke was sounded by the old county clock, these bells reached the climax. Combined with the music of the dances in progress in the Elks club and the hall of the W. O. W., Maryville listened to the exit of 1914 and entrance of 1915 amid a grand musical accord or perhaps discord.

Many Watch the Year Pass.

There were a host of "watch" parties too over town last night and many spent the passage of the year in coasting parties over the city. In fact it was in the early hours of morning before any of the New Year's festivities ended. Some of the coasting parties continued until 1 and 2 o'clock this morning. The dances closed about the same time.

The Eastern Star lodge here observed the passage of the year with the installation of new officers for the year. It was followed by an elaborate banquet to more than one hundred men and women.

Today, Maryville folk are hustling the same, with the exception that the postal employees are getting part of the day off and a few business establishments are closed.

But the bill collectors, book keepers and merchants in general, are at the busiest season just now. They are celebrating the first day of 1915 in a grand rush to transact as much business as possible.

The day also marks the passage of five county officials and the entrance of five new ones to succeed them, while two more changes will be made Monday. The employees of the city are working today.

SKIDMORE MASONS TO INSTALL.

Change of Officers Tonight Will Be Followed by Banquet

The newly elected officers of the Masonic lodge at Skidmore will be installed there tonight. The installation ceremonies will be followed by a banquet to the Masonic members and their families.

The new officers are: Ira E. Poretr, worshipful master; S. B. Garnett, senior warden; T. C. Gray, junior warden; W. M. Freeze, senior deacon; W. M. Moody, junior deacon; W. J. Hitchcock, treasurer; E. D. French, secretary; J. O. Miller, senior steward; G. F. Kellogg, junior steward; R. B. Foster, chaplain; E. T. Duval, marshal; J. S. Linville, tiler; J. E. Pierpoint, trustee.

END UNIVERSITY "BOOST."

Nodaway County Students Show School Activities at Burlington Junction Tonight.

The final of seven depictions within Nodaway county the last two weeks, of stereopticon slides showing student and school activities of the University of Missouri, will be given in the motion picture theatre at Burlington Junction tonight. The views are being shown by the Nodaway county club of the University. It is comprised of students who live in this county.

The views were shown at Harmony church last night by the Rev. C. R. Green, pastor. A fairly large crowd attended. There are seventy-three views in all. They cover virtually all activities at the state school, both in the class room and on the athletic fields.

Maryville, Skidmore, Pickering and Hopkins also saw the views, during the two weeks "boost" here. The meeting at Graham was not held, as scheduled.

Graham Plans Band Concert.

A program of twenty-one musical numbers has been arranged for a concert to be given by the Graham band in the Presbyterian church at Graham tomorrow night. There will be the usual band numbers, and a piano duet, euphonium solo, cornet solo, and a double cornet solo.

TO TRY FEW SUITS

JANUARY CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET IS EXTREMELY LIGHT

ARE 9 CRIMINAL CASES

Few State Charges Are Serious—Tomorrow Last Day for Filing Petitions for Next Session.

All civil suits filed for trial in the circuit court here, must be filed with Circuit Clerk Eugene Rathbun by tomorrow afternoon, in order to receive consideration at the January term which begins January 18. Only account and note suits may be filed now, with the exception of criminal charges which may be filed up to the time court convenes or later.

The time on filing of "thirty days notice" suits closed two weeks ago. These are all civil suits not brought to collect on accounts or notes. The "legal notice" suits also are barred from being filed now for the January term, in fact the time limit of them ended several weeks ago.

Is Extra Light Docket.

The docket for this term is expected to be the lightest of several terms. Only 142 cases had been docketed for the January term yesterday afternoon, according to Mr. Rathbun. Most of these were continued over from the September term or were on appeals from previous decisions, so that the filing of new cases is extremely small.

It is not believed the January term of court will occupy more than ten days or two weeks time, unless recesses are taken during the term.

The criminal docket also is unusually small this time. There are but nine criminal cases at present, although several more probably will be filed before court convenes. Former Prosecuting Attorney George P. Wright made an effort during the September term to clean the slate to begin on. There are no charges of a serious nature on the docket.

Few Cases of One Kind.

Of the entire 142 cases for trial, 18 are on paroles, 41 in equity, 74 for trial and 9 criminal. Of the forty-one suits, fourteen are for divorce, some of them being continued from the September term.

The equity suits are divided as follows: perfect title, 10; partition, 6; to revive judgment, 2; and one each of application for citizenship, to cancel deed, establish trust, assignment, re-tax cost, appeal from probate, ouster proceedings, appeal and specific performance.

In the trial docket there are 27 for tax bill collection, 7 for back taxes, 11 for damages, 4 attachments, on notes, 4 on contracts, 3 appeals from justice court, 3 on accounts, 6 on note collections, 4 for replevins, 2 appeals from police court and one each of appeals from probate court and interpleas.

In the criminal cases there is one charge each of illegal disposition of intoxicating liquors, gaming, carnal knowledge, common assault, mandate, manslaughter, on appeal, obstruction of public highway, appeal, maintaining an offensive slaughter house and grand larceny.

TO HEAR REPORTS OF YEAR

City Council Meets Tonight—Various Officials Prepare 1914 Charts Business.

The city council will meet in regular session tonight to transact the usual outline business and to hear the annual reports of the various departments and officials of the city. According to the officials, the reports will show the city in a good way financially and physically.

Since the first of the week some of the officials have been kept very unusually busy in preparing these business charts. It is especially true of the water works department and of Deputy City Collector Harold Seelman. The payment of city taxes has been so heavy the last few days that night work is being resorted to, to clear up the day's business for the forthcoming one. This rush of tax payments came because of the 1 per cent penalty that goes on today.

1,472 Grains on One Ear.

J. Arch McMaster, the west side farmer, left an ear of Eonville white corn at the office last Saturday that has 1,472 grains on it, says this week's Hopkins Journal. The average ear only has from 1,000 to 1,150 grains.

Has Record Cow.

John Baker, a farmer who lives near Clearmont, claims title to a record cow, in that it has given birth to two calves within 10 months and 13 days. Both appear to be unusually healthy and large boned.

NEW OFFICIALS ARE NOW IN

Duties Today—Old Ones Assist.

Beginning this morning, five new county officials elected last November, took the oath of office and are managing the affairs of the departments to which they were chosen. Some of the retiring officials however are still on the job in order to start their successors off on the right track.

Prosecuting Attorney William G. Sawyers, was engaged during the day in making a general cleaning of that office and putting everything in "ship shape." Down below, in the northeast corner of the county court Prof. W. M. Oakerson, retiring county school superintendent, Albert H. Cooper, his successor and assistants were making a final overhauling of that department and getting the business to running smoothly.

Dan R. Baker, new recorder of deeds, is "hard at it" today, but is being ably assisted by his deputy, Luke Colvin, and J. Arthur Wray and deputy, Miss Nellie Wray, who retire.

Two more changes will be made Monday morning when Fred J. Yeomans will succeed George W. Demott as county clerk and George H. Westfall, takes the place of Eugene Rathbun in the office of circuit clerk.

WEDDED TOO YOUNG, CHARGE

Iowa Father of Daughter, 15, Married Here, Causes Groom to be Held.

Because he is alleged to have stolen off with a 15-year-old girl whom he was wedded to here Tuesday, Earl F. Rhinehart of Burlington Junction was taken in charge at Burlington Junction today by the chief of police of Council Bluffs, Iowa. He will be taken back to the Iowa city tonight. The girl's father accompanied the police chief.

According to George Yates of Burlington Junction, deputy sheriff, who took Rhinehart in charge this morning on instructions from Council Bluffs authorities, Rhinehart is said to have been married to Mary Felker, 15 years old, by Probate Judge W. H. Conn here Tuesday. They secured their license in the office of the recorder of deeds here on the same day.

In getting the license, Rhinehart gave his name as Earl F. Rhinehart, address, Maryville and age 21. Mary Felker gave her address as Red Oak, Iowa, and age 18.

Rhinehart is a son of W. C. Rhinehart, a farmer living on the Joseph Kern farm, three miles west of Burlington Junction. Young Rhinehart is a nephew of Elmer Rhinehart of Maryville.

HOLD CAMPBELL RITES.

Funeral Services Held at Pixler Home This Afternoon.

The funeral services for Claude E. Campbell, who died Wednesday were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the residence of James Pixler, 420 West Cooper street. The services were conducted by the Rev. Robert L. Finch, pastor of the First Christian church. The interment was made in Miriam cemetery.

The pall bearers were M. A. Turner, Robert Jones, Ed. Marti, B. A. Frost, Frank Bolin and Roy Martin.

Among the out of town relatives attending the funeral were Robert Conner of Maitland, J. F. Pixler of Omaha, Nebr., Mrs. D. E. Nelson of St. Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Trueblood of Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Ferguson and family of Burlington Junction, Lowell and Warren Campbell of Barnard.

Kansas Buys Cattle Here.

G. P. Detter, of McPherson, Kan., has purchased several head of fine Shorthorn bulls from F. C. Barber & Sons of Skidmore. He was in Skidmore this week to prepare the newly purchased animals for shipment to his Kansas ranch. Mr. Detter is an extensive breeder of thoroughbred cattle.

Elmo Lodges Install.

Kennedy lodge No. 329 of the Order of Masons and the Elmo Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, held their annual installation of officers at Elmo Monday night. A banquet followed. E. T. Bailey is the new worshipful master of Kennedy lodge. Mrs. Grace Ferguson is the new worthy matron of the Eastern Star Chapter.

Arrived From Texas.

Mrs. Ike T. Pryor, of Fort Stockton, Texas, arrived Thursday noon for a visit with her parents, Judge and Mrs. W. C. Ellison. Mrs. Pryor will spend a few weeks and will be joined by Mr. Pryor before her visit is concluded.

REDUCE TO SYSTEM

WATER BOARD STARTS YEAR WITH NEW METHOD.

OF WAY INADEQUATE

City Board, Last Night to Improve Department—Pre-arranged by Attorneys.

The Paris, Jan. 1, (AP)—The water board, in the hands of a new department, as "smoothly" as "smoothly" will come an up-to-date system, whereby each of the 900 accounts against water service patrons can be found quickly and easily. Such is the result of a meeting held by the board of public works at the city hall last night.

It was rather a coincident that these city officials observed the passage of the old year and entrance of the new in compiling the modern business method. For they worked until after midnight. All members of the board were there with the exception of E. L. Townsend, president.

It was found, according to M. E. Ford, vice president of the board, that under the old system it was in some cases, impossible for the new officials in that municipal department to find traces of certain accounts. Chester Bennett, city clerk, will have charge of the books and accounts.

Need Water Plug Chart.

The absence of any chart or map to designate the location of the various water plugs, at the 900 residences and business establishments where the city serves water, also is causing no little confusion and loss of time and money to the city.

It is the present plans of the board to prepare and maintain such a chart as soon as possible. In this way, it is said, any water plug or piping may be found on quick notice by any employee of that department, be he in the employed a day or three years.

Superintendent J. H. Martin, also had the employees of the department encase and pack most of the water meters over the city recently, to safeguard them against frost and freezes. This precaution has already saved the city much expense, it is said. Few complaints of bursted pipes are being received, as a result of extreme cold of the last two weeks on account of this protection.

Pay at the City Hall.

Another proposed improvement in this department, is in compelling all patrons to make direct payments for water service to the city hall. This may be done in person, or by proxy or by mail. But the old method of sending a collector around the first of each month to collect is to be abandoned, under the new plan.

While this matter was not definitely decided at last night's meeting of the board, it is the intention, for the present at least, to adopt this system of payments.

SCHOOL DEBATES ON MILITARY

Dawsonville Will Decide Whether U. S. Should Prepare for War.

A debate of the subject, "Resolved, that it is expedient for the United States to maintain an army and navy," will be held at the Dawsonville school house, near Burlington Junction tonight. Four will discuss the topic in the affirmative and four negatively.

The affirmative debaters will be Fred Messbarger, Bert Bartlett, Roy Lyle and David Baine. Those to debate against a military equipment in this country are J. W. Whittington, Raymond Knapp, Dwight Adkins and Oliver St. G.

The Dawsonville school has organized a debate with Fred Messbarger, president, and Raymond Knapp, secretary, upon the subject of military equipment in this country during the winter season. The next event will be in the form of a mock trial to be held January 8.

Miss Mabel Kerrigan of Clyde, is visiting at the home of her uncle, E. L. Ferritor and family.

THE WEATHER

Generally fair tonight and Saturday. Warmer.

PARAMOUNT

MARY PIC in "Behind the FERN THEATRE, T. W. JAN. 4, "The County Chair," Thursday, and "The Man of the Year," Friday, January 7 and 8.

OTHERS ARE STILL ENTERING

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Christmas Saving Club

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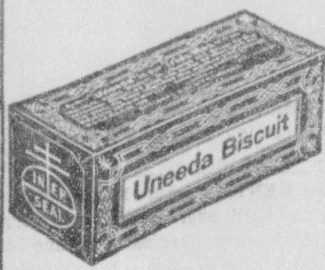
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Its Not Too Late For You

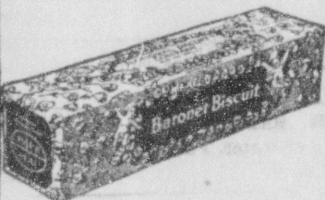
With the hope that pleasant
Relations may continue
Through many and many
A successful year.

Uneda Biscuit

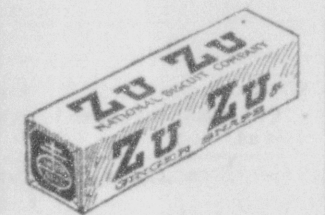
Tempt the appetite, please the taste and nourish the body. Crisp, clean and fresh—5 cents in the moisture-proof package.

**Baronet Biscuit**

Round, thin, tender—with a delightful flavor—appropriate for luncheon, tea and dinner. 10 cents.

**Zu Zu**

Prince of appetizers! Makes daily trips from Ginger-Snap Land to waiting mouths everywhere. Say Zu Zu to the grocer man, 5 cents.



Buy biscuit baked by

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY

Always look for that name

Kill Four Jack Rabbits.

Jack rabbits seem to be more numerous in Nodaway county this winter than for several years. One was killed on the Al Crane farm recently; another was killed in the eastern part of the county last week and W. P. Wallace of near Clearmont bagged two last week. One of them was reported to have weighed 11½ pounds.—Burlington Junction Post.

Return From Visit.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Byers returned today from a week's visit with relatives at Red Oak, Ia., and Omaha, Neb.

1915 The New Year

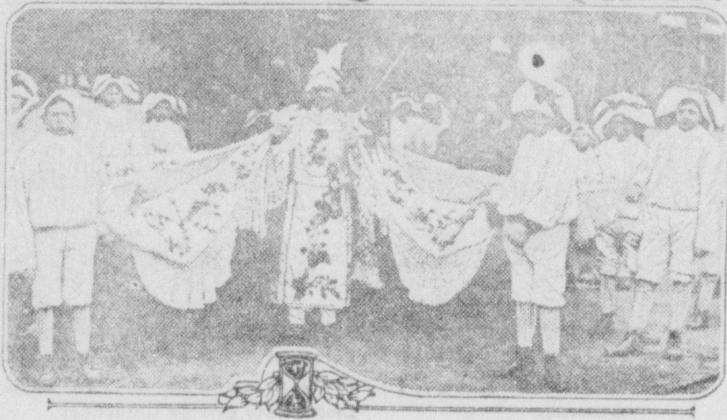
Do not start the New Year without making a good resolution. Make up your mind to open a Savings Account, and to add to it systematically—each week or month during the entire year. The result will astonish you—a snug Savings Account to your credit.

OPPORTUNITY is bound to knock at your door; will you be prepared to admit it? If you wish to succeed in life you must SAVE. One Dollar will start a Savings Account; 4 per cent interest will keep it growing

Farmers Trust Company

"HOME OF SAVINGS"
Maryville, - Missouri

The SHOOTERS' NEW YEAR CELEBRATION



KING WITH HIS ROBES HELD UP BY PAGES.

Philadelphia has the reputation of being one of the most quiet and dignified cities in the United States, but once a year it lapses into unrestrained revelry. The occasion is a curious carnival called the "New Year shooters' parade," which is described in the Wide World Magazine by a resident of the city.

FOR three hundred and sixty-four days in the year Philadelphia lives up to its national reputation of being the quietest city in the United States, but for one glorious day the Quaker town vies with New Orleans, Rome and Paris as a center of frivolity suddenly stricken mad. It is a very methodical madness, however, for the chief participants in this great annual festival of Philadelphia—which is known as the New Year "shooters' parade"—begin their preparations for the following year as soon as the sun sets on the scene of gaiety on Jan. 1.

One of the objects to be gained is the winning of large cash prizes offered by the civic authorities for the most elaborate and novel costumes worn in the procession and for the club whose members make the most striking appearance on parade.

Each year the eccentricity of the costumes exceeds that of the previous year. Immense sums are spent on the costumes of the kings, of whom there are several in the procession, and numbers of girls are employed for months previous to the date of the festival cutting out and embroidering the material intended for their majesties' finery on festival day. The larger the robe and the finer the embroidery the better the chance of winning a prize. A hundred young Philadelphians will form themselves into a club and do little else in their spare time but plan and prepare for the annual parade, paying subscriptions in a general fund, from which the milliner's bill is to be met, and looking forward to winning a cash prize sufficient at least to reimburse them for the initial outlay.

As many as ninety pages are sometimes required to support some of the gorgeous robes worn by the kings at this curious festival. The parade takes place on Broad street, the widest thoroughfare in the city, and the royal robes are made large enough to stretch from curb to curb when pulled out to their full width by the attendant pages. Their weight being enormous, it would be impossible for even the sturdy men selected as kings to support them but for the small army of gorgeously clad pages who carry sections of the train. At times, when the street narrows or the crowd is so dense that it is impossible for the pages to stretch the robe to its full length, the weight necessarily falls to a great extent on the shoulders of the king, and his majesty frequently faints from the terrible strain of supporting his splendor without the aid of the pages.

These pages are attired in costumes that match the robe of the king, and as a royal retinue passes along to the music of a military band the spectacle is a magnificent one. But the kings are not the entire show by any means. Following each royal personage comes a motley procession of revelers, each dressed according to his own peculiar fancy, but all with some attempt at expressing a meaning in the masquerade. Public men who are not popular are held up to ridicule by men who impersonate them in the most grotesque costumes conceivable, current events are depicted by cars in which Young America exercises his wit in a manner that the man in the street can understand, and jests that are occasionally couched in language more forceful than polite are carried aloft on transparencies. Pretty "girls," whose large feet and mannish stride betray the sterner sex, stalk along beneath bewitching sunshades or dance merrily with maskers in all manner of foolish guises, and a regular Noah's ark of animals, with trussed legs protruding through the corners of their anatomy, march solemnly along with nodding heads and cavernous smiles.

At the city hall the procession halts while the mayor and his cabinet review the parade. Then for hours it plods along through avenues of cheering citizens to a point where the committee, to which is left the selecting of the prize winners, critically scans the costumes and the appearance of each marching band. The decisions are not made known until several days after the gorgeous finery has been laid away to do duty in some way or other the succeeding year. When the names of the prize winners are finally announced there is generally a howl of disappointment from those passed over, with much talk of unfairness and bias. The prizes, however, do not interest the average citizen much. He is only concerned with the procession. Each

portion of the parade represents a particular ward of the city, and it is a matter of pride with the spectator to cheer more loudly for his own representatives in the procession than the next man cheers for his. When the different clubs reach the end of the line of march each is received by its admirers and escorted to the ward from which it came, where the procession is repeated on a small scale and revelry reigns unrestrained for a few happy hours, the police by general consent allowing any liberty to be taken with the established law so long as good nature prevails and nothing radically wrong goes on.

Splendid as the scenes are during the day, however, they are totally eclipsed by the spectacles at night. No matter how magnificently a sash robe may be embroidered by daylight, it suggests more of the tinsel finery of the circus than real regal splendor. At night when his majesty gathers for the royal parade, attended by a host of torch bearing sprites and preceded by electric illuminations of every hue, the scene is brilliantly attractive. The day's parade, in fact, is merely a "warming up" for the incidents of the night. After dark on festival night Philadelphia is aglow with red fire. The streets are a mass of color, reflected from the royal robes, the rainbow hued parasols of the maskers, the flags and bunting of the marching clubs, the draperies of the gods on the cars and the diaphanous costumes of the goddesses, who glide along attended by imps and courtiers. The entire city goes festival mad—for one evening only. A stranger dropping into Philadelphia on festival night would imagine himself in New Orleans on the last day of the Mardi Gras celebrations. The crowds are enormous, the scene bewildering in its illuminated splendor, and the constantly moving panorama of color as the revelers skip along to the music of the bands in the smoke and glow and glare of hundreds of variegated lights is a veritable nightmare of festivity unrestrained.

There is no particular meaning attached to the festival. No other city has one like it. It is simply the one day and night in the year when Philadelphia, whose name is regarded by the rest of the United States as a synonym for sobriety and dignity, throws care to the winds and revels in an atmosphere of jollification which rivals that of Paris or Nice in carnival time. The day following the annual festival and for 365 days thereafter Philadelphia is just the "Quaker City," the "City of Brotherly Love" or any other name suggestive of sober quietude that its critics like to call it.

OLD YEAR, ADIEU!

Old Father Time, with visage grim,
Marks finis on another year.
His harvest he has gathered in;
The swath was wide both far and near.

The strife of battle rages round
The ranks of fighters in the van,
But clashing arms and shouts resound
Of victor and of conquered man.

The aged sire, with trembling hands
And hoary locks of silvery white,
Perceives the passing of the sands,
The sunset's glow, the clouds of night.

Mayhap there is a vacant chair
At home, but recently resigned,
A loved one gone above to wear
The crown of bliss by angels twined.

The path to glory may not lead
With roses strewn about the feet,
But hope and strive by word and deed
Some soul to cheer—the New Year greet!
—T. J. Dehey in Pittsburgh Dispatch.

AT MIDNIGHT NEW YEAR'S EVE.

The Old Year said: "In this well worn pack
I've carried for many a day
Are more than a bushel of useless things
You must bury or throw away.
There are souls so scared by the fires of pain
'Tis best by far to conceal them
In the deepest grave that the Past can dig."
But the New Year said, "I will heal them."

The Old Year said: "You will also find
A number of broken hearts—
Not merely Centred or cracked, alas,
But snapped in a dozen parts.
To the junk heap gathered by Father Time
At once you had better send them,
For they only litter the world in vain."
But the New Year said, "I will mend them."
—Minnie Irving in New York Times.

TO LESSEN FIRE LOSS.

Report of Commission Advises The Teaching of Fire Prevention in Public Schools.

The waste from fires in Missouri every year amounts to twice the entire cost of operating the state schools, charitable and penal institutions. Approximately half these fires are due to inexcusable negligence and carelessness.

That is the report made by the Missouri Fire Insurance Commission, which has been investigating this subject for several months. It found that the regularly licensed companies wrote fire risks amounting to \$825,887, 683, on which they collected premiums totaling \$8,277,319 and paid out in losses \$6,601,118. The loss to the state in fires is estimated at 10 million dollars.

Using those tremendous figures as a text, the commission says that at the bottom of the fire insurance problem in Missouri is the teaching of fire prevention—that the people must be awakened to the tremendous waste and take steps to stop it.

The commission will ask the legislature to pass a law making the teaching of fire prevention compulsory in all public schools. It believes that by this means a sentiment will be created which will reach the "grown-ups" at home and at the same time awaken a permanent interest in the subject of fire loss. The commission also will recommend the establishment of the office of fire marshal. It will be the duty of that office to enforce rigidly fire prevention regulations and see that municipalities more strictly enforce the present requirements.

The commission says it found evidence of an arson trust in the state—that the loss from incendiary fires growing out of overinsurance is larger each year. It would have the state superintendent of insurance and the examine into this phase of the fire examine into this phase of the fire loss problem and prosecute where possible.

The recommendations of the commission on the subject of rates already have been announced. In brief, they urge that the legislature compel each company to use the "ratings" of some actuarial company, and these ratings should be open to the public. A penalty would be provided for all the fire companies combining and agreeing to use only one actuarial bureau and charge the same rate. That could be done, without penalty, where no agreement exists.

Loses Xmas Presents.

W. H. Houston of Burlington Junction is cussing his luck this week. According to the Burlington Junction Post he returned Thursday evening from Maryville with a package which contained gifts to the family from his daughter, Mrs. E. F. Scott. He put the package in his sled and went to the church to attend the Christmas entertainment and when he returned for his team a few minutes later the package was gone.

CLARK DENIES CANDIDACY.

Republican Paper Published Report He Would Oppose Wilson.

Champ Clark has dashed cold water on the report printed in a New York Republican newspaper that the speaker proposes to oppose Woodrow Wilson for renomination two years hence.

"Tommy rot," said Clark. "Some body evidently needed something to fill space. I clearly stated my position in my tolls speech last spring. I then said if Woodrow Wilson made good he could not escape the nomination and election; if he failed, the nomination would not be worth having."

The speaker recently in public speeches has paid high tribute to the President, and their meeting on the house rostrum on the occasion of the deliverance of the President's latest message to congress was marked by a cordiality so noticeable that it evoked cheers on the Democratic side.

Friends of the speaker in congress believe with him that a continuance of the President's present great popularity with the people of the country presages his renomination and election unless he should flatly decline to permit his name to be considered for a second term.

In the event of the latter remote contingency there is no doubt that a movement to nominate Speaker Clark would be started by his admirers, both here and elsewhere. Just now, however, the speaker is not bothering himself about the subject. Like the President, he is concerned only with the important matters of legislation now confronting congress.

MEAT FOR CATHOLICS TODAY.

Abstinence Removed Because New Year's is Day of Obligation.

Because New Year's comes on Friday this year and because it is a holiday of obligation in the Roman Catholic church, those of that faith may eat meat today. The vigil of some of the great holy days of the church is a day of abstinence. Among these is Christmas, hence the Catholics were obliged to fast last Thursday but were permitted meat on Friday. New Year's is not one of the big holy days and therefore has no vigil of abstinence.

Here From Hopkins.

Will G. Edwards of Hopkins, came to Maryville last night to meet his wife and daughter, who are visiting at the home of Mrs. Edwards' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wallace, of East First street.

"Casey" Jones is Killed.

"Casey" Jones, the motor car used by the bridge men of the Wabash railroad was demolished as the result of a collision with a freight train near Elmo this week. None of the crew was injured.

Osborn Visitors Return.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Maier returned yesterday to their home at Osborn after a visit in Maryville with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Maier.

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING BEST.

Publicity Expert Says Retail Dealers Should Use More Space Daily.

"The daily newspaper should be the foundation for all retail advertising—it is by all odds the best medium in any city," declared T. LeRoy North, advertising expert and author of the Cincinnati Advertiser's Club plan for advertising Cincinnati, in addressing a group of advertising students at the Young Men's Christian Association. "I do not say that all retail houses should use newspaper advertising exclusively," Mr. North added.

"I do say, however, that every retailer should plan his advertising campaign first by an appropriation of sufficient size to give him adequate space in the newspapers. Then, if he still has money left for additional publicity he can take up the question of other forms."

"The newspaper is the wireless telegraph of business thought. By means of it the retailer reaches into hundreds of homes. Paris, Jan. 1. The business message is formidable, and the day. News, left by a same as in the month. Their character, from the advertiser's standpoint, is determined by people among whom they circulate."—Cincinnati Times-Star

Took Poison by Mistake.

Byron Griffith, who is now on a farm near Wilcox, got up Sunday night to take some cough medicine, and not stopping to light a lamp, got hold of a bottle of horse liniment containing considerable poison, and while he did not take enough to kill a person, it was sufficient to make him very ill.—Hopkins Journal.

Return to Barnard.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Broadbent and daughter, Goldie, of Barnard, who have been visiting Mrs. Nellie Airy and family of West Fourth street returned to their home yesterday.

Winter Clothing at Sacrifice Prices

I want to clean up my stock of all Heavy Winter Clothing and Furnishing Goods and in order to do this have made some very low prices—so low that you cannot afford to pass this chance. Come in and look over the line—You will be sure to find something you want during this sale.

Clark Weaver
W. Third St.

Will You Be On The Winning Side?

Advertising is the advance agent of prosperity. The keen thinking merchant who looms before the public now, will be the one who will have the trade of the public tomorrow. Restrict your advertising now, and you will show your lack of confidence to compete with the future. This active American public deals with the business men of today, the men whom they feel will be able to supply them when the need arises.

Inspire your customers with your confidence. Every advertisement you run in

your daily newspaper, will show the public that you are going to be one of the winners.

Show your ability to grasp the prosperity that the warring nations are gradually but surely pushing upon us. Show that you know your advertising worth more to you now than ever before.

You want to be one of the winning merchants. You will not haul down your advertising flag. Your advertising has been worth much to you in the past. Its value to you today is inestimable.



New Year's Greeting

A Bountiful 1915

THIS BANK appreciates the business entrusted to it during the year 1914 by its depositors. The officers and Directors are desirous of showing that the confidence placed in the Bank on the part of the public is appreciated. The Nodaway Valley Bank is one of our helpful institutions in which this appreciation will be shown.

NODAWAY VALLEY BANK
Maryville, Missouri

KILLS MUCH STOCK

FORAGE POISONING CAUSES MANY HORSES TO DIE.

COUNTY LOSS \$10,000

Estimate Nodaway Has Lost 50 Head from "Corn Stalk" Disease—The Cause and Cure.

Forage poisoning, generally known as the "corn stalk" disease, has cost Nodaway county farmers the last two months at least fifty head of horses, averaging in value \$200 each, according to a veterinarian of this city, after a careful tour of the county. That more loss will result before the next month ends is his prediction unless some preventative steps are taken quickly by the farmers.

Not only is the "corn stalk" disease confined to this county, nor even this section of the state. Every county in Missouri and in other central west states is having its quota of horses die from forage poisoning, despite efforts of veterinary experts to prevent it.

In order to better protect the farmers against such losses, Dr. D. F. Luckey, state veterinarian, has issued a bulletin relative to the "disease," although it could hardly be termed that.

Most Losses in North Part.

The greater majority of losses in this county were in the north part, in the vicinity of Elmo, Clearmont and Hopkins. Many farmers near Maryville likewise have lost one or more horses from the "disease," and E. H. Bainum of the Union Bus company, right here in Maryville, lost a valuable animal recently from forage poisoning.

It is not the first time such losses among horses has resulted in Nodaway county, however. Several other falls the farmers have had losses from the "corn stalk disease," but never to such an alarming extent as this year, it is said.

Blame It on Weather.

The heavy rains in September and October, following a dry summer, which caused much corn to mould, is believed by some local veterinarians to cause the "disease." Some reports of loss of mules, cattle and sheep also are made through the state. It is generally confined alone to horses, however.

To our many patrons and friends and the flower loving public in general, we wish you

a very happy and prosperous New Year

The Engelmann Greenhouses

1001 S. MAIN ST. PHONE 17

SENATE ADOPTS LITERACY TEST

Refuses to Strike Moulded Clause From Immigration Bill.

VOTE FORTY-SEVEN TO TWELVE

Anti-Mormon Amendment to Measure Is Adopted Overwhelmingly, Hughes of New Jersey and Utah Members Only Ones Voting Against It.

Washington, Jan. 1.—By a vote of 47 to 12, the senate refused to strike from the immigration bill the literacy test for admission of aliens.

Senator Reed then proposed an amendment to exclude "all aliens not of the Caucasian race."

Senator Reed's amendment immediately aroused considerable opposition. Chairman Smith of the immigration committee said he did not think it should be passed, as it aimed at exclusion, while the spirit of the bill was only restrictive. Senator Lodge declared that the amendment would exclude some persons not of the Caucasian race who make good citizens.

The latter was defeated by a vote of 43 to 13.

Heated discussion was aroused when Senator Reed offered a further amendment to substitute in the exclusion provision for the words "those who admit their belief in the practices of polygamy" the words "those who believe in, advocate or practice polygamy."

Senator Smoot of Utah recounted to the senate the original action of the Mormon church in forbidding plural marriage since 1890, recalling also the declaration of President Joseph F. Smith in 1894 and denounced the amendment as an ill-timed reflection upon the Mormon people.

The amendment to the polygamy section was adopted by overwhelming vote. Senators Smoot and Sutherland of Utah and Hughes of New Jersey voted against it. Senator Hughes said he did not believe any religious belief should be made a test for admission to this country.

BRADSTREET'S TRADE REVIEW

Movements in More Important Channels Are Slow.

New York, Jan. 1.—Bradstreet's says: Inventory being as late as the end of the year, the more important channels and commercial channels are slow, but the most significant fact is that practically all lines and sections save the south, look for improvement next year.

At the moment, however, distribution is mainly from retail purveyors, by whom sacrifice sales are being pushed, with negatively favorable results in most centers, the range being from poor in the south to active in the west, where the full force of recuperative prices for wheat are exhibited. It is noteworthy that reports from some points indicate that Christmas trade was better than anticipated, but in general such returns, especially from industrial centers, disclose that buying was limited in consonance with a lack of steady employment.

Wheat exports for the week were 7,409,382 bushels.

Failures for the week were 511.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Closing Quotations on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Closing prices: Wheat—Dec., \$1.27; May, \$1.26.

Corn—Dec., 67½¢; May, 73½¢.

Oats—Dec., 49½¢; May, 53½¢.

Pork—Jan., \$18.67½; May, \$19.27½.

Lard—Jan., \$10.50; May, \$10.72½.

Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, \$1.26½@1.27½; No. 2 yellow corn, 68½¢@69½¢; No. 3 white oats, 49½¢@49¾¢; standard, 50½¢@50¾¢.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 5,000; firm; native steers, \$5.50@9.85; westerns, \$5@7.80; cows and heifers, \$3@8.10; calves, \$7.50@10. Hogs—Receipts, 33,000; 5@10c higher; bulk, \$7.10@7.25; light, \$6.80@7.25; mixed, \$6.90@7.30; heavy, \$6.85@7.30; rough, \$6.90@7.05; pigs, \$5.50@7.30. Sheep—Receipts, 10,000; strong; sheep, \$5.90@6.80; yearlings, \$6.90@7.90; lambs, \$7@8.85.

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, Jan. 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,550; steady; beef steers, \$5.75@9; cows and heifers, \$4.25@7.25; stockers and feeders, \$5.75@8.10; bulls, \$5@6.80; calves, \$7@9. Hogs—Receipts, 10,840; 5@10c higher; bulk of sales, \$7.10@7.20; top, \$7.25. Sheep—Receipts, 5,165; steady to strong; lambs, \$7.50@8.60; wethers, \$4.40@6.50; ewes, \$4.25@5.70.

Skidmore Pastor Leaves.

The Rev. Mr. Creel of Plattsburg, delivered his final sermon at the Christian church at Skidmore last Sunday. He has had charge of that pastorate for several months.

Visiting at Elmo.

Mrs. L. C. Severs and son, of Fayette Mo., who have been visiting Mrs. Severs' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gray, of West Fourth street, left yesterday for Elmo to visit friends for the week end.



KIN OF YANKEE SLAIN BY CANUCKS ANGRY

Relatives of Slaughtered Hunter Call Verdict Ridiculous.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Relatives of Walter Smith, who was killed by Canadian militia at Fort Erie, are not satisfied with the coroner's jury verdict of "accidental shooting," and through their attorney have taken steps to bring about a more thorough investigation through the department of state. Further evidence, it was announced, will be taken before Vice Consul Curtiss at Fort Erie within a day or two and this report will be filed with state department officials at Washington.

The following telegram was sent to Congressman Charles B. Smith by the attorneys for the Smith family:

"Testimony of witnesses, Smith, Dorsch matter, shows that civil officer neither called, signalled or attempted to arrest before calling upon soldiers; that repeated volleys were fired after men had thrown up their hands and told the officer they were coming to shore; that soldiers fired the shots that killed after civil officer had told them to cease, and in no event to hit; that on account of repeated volleys from soldiers in the face of the offer to surrender, men endeavored to get out of range, but were immediately shot, one fatally and the other possibly so; soldiers admit firing without taking aim or sighting gun."

"Verdict of coroner's jury of accidental shooting ridiculous. Have no hesitancy in crowding case. It was reckless, inhuman and outright manslaughter. We will take witnesses before American consul in a day or two and forward further evidence to you."

Although the verdict released the three militiamen as civilians, they are still detained, awaiting the official release from the military authorities.

INDORSES U. S. PROTEST

Thirty-one Cargoes of Copper Seized by British Ships.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Thirty-one ships, bearing 19,350 tons of American copper, worth \$5,500,000, destined to neutral nations, have been detained and their cargoes seized as contraband since the European war began. Senator Walsh of Montana told the senate in a speech reviewing interruptions to American commerce, and highly indorsing the American government's recent note to Great Britain.

"What is needed now," continued Senator Walsh, "is the release of every detained shipment against which a prima facie case of guilt cannot be made out, carrying with it an assurance to the trade that as long as it is honest it is safe."

Monterey Short of Food.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 1.—Food for less than ten days remains at Monterey, Mex., and adjacent territory, where the situation in some respects is as bad as Europe, according to unofficial reports from American Consul General Hanna at Monterey. Relief is furnished twice weekly to the poor, who include once prosperous families, whose revolutions have made destitute.

Thirty Warships Are Firing on Pola.

Copenhagen, Jan. 1.—A private dispatch received here from Berlin says that over thirty French and British warships are at present engaged in bombarding Pola, the Austrian naval base on the Adriatic, and also the seaport of Rouigno, fifteen miles away.

COL. ALEXANDER AND MISS COPE INDICTED

Chicago, Jan. 1.—An indictment charging Colonel Charles Alexander, wealthy steel magnate of Providence, R. I., with violation of the Mann white slave act, was returned in the federal court, together with an indictment charging bribery against Miss Jessie Elizabeth Cope of Los Angeles, the woman he is alleged to have transported.

The indictment against Alexander contains ten counts, and that against Miss Cope five. Alexander is charged with having transported Miss Cope from Los Angeles to Chicago on Jan. 23, 1913. The document also mentions a trip from Chicago to New Orleans, on which it is alleged, Miss Cope was Alexander's companion.

It is specifically charged in the case of the woman that she offered Hinto G. Clabaugh, local superintendent of the department of justice, \$25,000 if he would aid her in extorting \$50,000 from Alexander.

Arrests in both cases were made three weeks ago. Miss Cope is in custody here and Alexander, who is at liberty under bond, has signified his willingness to come here for trial whenever desired.

BRITISH HOLD U. S. NOTE NOT SPECIFIC

Find Demand Less Detailed Than Had Been Expected.

NOT A BILL OF PARTICULARS.

American Protest Continues to Be Foremost Topic in English Papers. Reply to Be Made in Few Days. Discourtesy Charge Unfounded.

WAR BULLETINS

Sanguinary fighting continues in that broad reach of territory between the Vistula and Pilica rivers, in Poland, where the Germans are endeavoring to push through toward their objective, the Polish capital, and everywhere are being met with stern resistance by the Muscovite forces. Germany merely says of the contest here that its offensive has made progress in the district of the Rawka river, but that in the other regions the situation is unchanged.

Petrograd has made no report. Farther south in Galicia and up in the Carpathian passes the Russians seemingly hold their reported advantage over the Austrians.

In the west, in Belgium and France, the fighting is mainly between the artillery arms of the belligerent forces, with here and there, however, infantry attacks and counter attacks. No important victories are claimed by either side, although at various points each claims slight gains of ground or repulses of attacks.

London, Jan. 1.—The British foreign office, in agreement with the American government, issued the text of the protest of the United States concerning delays to American commerce, due to search of vessels by the British fleet. It was issued through the official press bureau.

The public has regarded the note as a diplomatic document of probably greater importance than any incidental to war. The first comment on it in the newspaper offices, however, was that the note was less specific in stating the American complaints than had been expected.

Still Foremost Topic.

The American protest continues to be the foremost topic in the English papers. Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, and Ambassador Page had a conference concerning it. It is understood that Great Britain will make reply to the note in a few days, probably next week.

Speaking for the foreign office, the press bureau denied the suggestion published in the London Times that its previous statement on the time the American note was received by the foreign office was issued with the intention of charging the American government with discourtesy in giving the contents of the note to the newspapers before it had been received by the foreign office. The statement of the bureau says this suggestion is "totally unfounded."

FRANCIS JOSEPH TO TROOPS

Emperor Issues New Year's Rescript to Army and Navy.

Vienna, Jan. 1.—Emperor Francis Joseph has issued a New Year's rescript addressed to the Austro-Hungarian army and navy, which reads as follows: "During five months of the parting year the monarchy has faced numerous and powerful enemies in a war which has been forced upon us and our faithful allies."

"The proven steadfastness of the fighting qualities and the heroism of my army and navy gives me confidence that in the new year of the war Austro-Hungarian warriors on land and sea will emerge with honor from the very severe trials which, for the welfare of the fatherland, the war may impose upon their military qualities."

"In sorrowful gratitude I remember those who, on the blood-drenched battlefield, have sacrificed their lives for our just cause. With the sincerest prayer that with God's help the new year may see them led to victory, I salute all my brave men."

Teutons Take Many Prisoners.

Amsterdam, Jan. 1.—What is described as an unofficial telegram, but which nevertheless was issued by the German army headquarters, has been received here. It reads: "Our troops in Poland are pursuing the enemy. After the battles of Lodz and Lowicz we took more than 67,000 prisoners and many cannon and machine guns. The entire booty since the beginning of our offensive in Poland in November totals 136,600 prisoners, more than 100 cannon and over 300 machine guns."

Switzerland Increases War Tax.

Berne, Jan. 1.—The heavy military expense thrust upon Switzerland by it being obliged to support an armed neutrality was almost the sole subject considered by the Swiss parliament. At the conclusion of the sitting a recess was taken until March next. The Swiss treasury, it was announced, must provide for a deficit of 23,000,000 francs. Taxes were doubled upon alcohol and were increased upon checks, postal orders, telephones, state railway tickets and freight shipments.

DEMOCRAT-FORUM

WANT ADS

For Results. For Results.

Classified ads running three days or more, one-half cent per word for each insertion; minimum rate 25¢ for three days. Interrupted insertions 1 cent a word for each insertion.

For Rent.

FOR RENT—Furnished room, three blocks from square, 110 South First street. 10-1

FOR RENT—4-room cottage, light and water, close in. Inquire 202 East First street. 21-2

FOR RENT—5-room flat, electric lights and bath, over Ashford millinery store. For particulars call Hanamo 34. 26-1

For Sale.

WOOD FOR SALE—All dry ash, hickory and oak, \$3.00 and \$4.00 for full guaranteed cord. Other wood \$1.00 load. Will deliver. Native lumber for sale. Saunders Bros., Hanamo phone 2698. 14-1

FOR SALE—Car of Swift's digester tankage. At Burlington tracks. Prices right. See us before you buy. Childress & Co. 2-1

FOR SALE—45 acres stock field. Plenty of water. Phone Farmers 23012. Ed Walker. 30-1

FOR SALE—White Orpington cockerels, English strain. W. A. Rhodes, phone Ravenwood. 12-1

FOR SALE—60 acres well improved, 2½ miles S. E. Arkoe. For price and terms see owner on premises. M. A. LOGAN, Barnard R. 3. 12-1me

FOR SALE—Furniture; bedsteads, chairs, etc. 222 S. Fillmore. Phone 309.

Miscellaneous.

FOUND—Pair gold rimmed nose glasses. Owner may have same by paying for this ad. 30-1.

WANTED—Clean cotton rage, at Maco Print Shop. 31-2

SANITARY ENGINEERING requires experienced mechanics and good materials. Our appliances and "knowing how" insures satisfaction. Standard Plumbing Co.

WANTED—Woman for cooking and general housework at once. Call Hanamo 6387, or address 418 West Second street.

Help Wanted.

WANTED—Men to learn the barber trade. Positively the best trade of the kind. Can prepare you in short time. Wages while learning. Open to everyone. Apply by mail, Moler Barber College, Kansas City, Mo. 26-1

They will solve those want problems of yours.

You can find a room, rent a room, get help or find a position, sell those things which you do not need—in fact these handy little want ads of the Democrat-Forum have an unlimited value, because of their convenience and desirable results.

More and more of the people of this community are using Democrat-Forum want ads because they find that through no other means can they obtain such satisfactory results.

The Democrat-Forum classified want ad department is a co-operative sale for the entire county.

Elmo Christians Meet.

The annual meeting of the Christian church at Elmo is being held today. Officers of the congregation will be elected and plans made for the new church year. Officers and teachers of the Sunday School also will be selected today.

The annual reports of church and Bible classes will be submitted. A dinner was served by the women of the church at noon today.

Hold Church Social.

An oyster supper was held at the Mount Ayr church last night. Several from Maryville attended.

CHARLES E. STILWELL,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR
AT LAW.

Office over Maryville National Bank, Maryville, Mo.